

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace paragraph [0060] with:

[0060] Fig. 2 shows the effect of the various siRNAs on suppressing the expression of the endogenous genes in HeLa cells. In Fig. 2, ratios of the expression level of target genes (Lamin A/C ([Fig. 2a](#)) or Dnmt1 ([Fig. 2b](#)) gene) to that of the control gene (G3PDH gene) are shown. These expression level ratios are normalized to the ratio obtained for a control sample using a double-stranded RNA (Mock, Qiagen) which triggers no gene expression suppression, setting the ratio to be 1.0. Data are averages of at least four independent experiments and error bars on the graph represent standard errors.